

The Westfield-Washington Advisory Plan Commission met at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 17, 2008 at Westfield City Hall. Members present were Bob Horkay, Ginny Kelleher, Bob Smith, Dan Degnan, Rob Stokes, Pete Emigh, Bill Sanders, and Cindy Spoljaric. Also present were Greg Anderson, Community Development Staff, and Attorney Brian Zaiger.

Not Present: Bart Gauker

OPENING OF MEETING

Zaiger swore in the members of the new Westfield-Washington Advisory Plan Commission.

Anderson explained the new agenda format for the Advisory Plan Commission meetings as well as the new structure.

Kelleher expressed concern regarding the lack of a public hearing at the workshop meetings.

Anderson assured the Commission that the public would be notified of the workshop meetings and that they would be encouraged to come to the Department to express their views to the staff.

Horkay expressed similar concern regarding the lack of a public hearing at the workshop meetings.

Spoljaric expressed similar concern regarding the lack of a public hearing at the workshop meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

Instructional/Educational Item:

Anderson welcomed the new Commission and made a presentation on the Community Development Department, the Board of Zoning Appeals, the Advisory Plan Commission, and introduced Community Development staff.

Adoption of 2008 Meeting Schedule

Smith moved to adopt the 2008 Meeting Schedule.

Emigh seconded, and the motion passed by voice vote.

Adoption of APC Rules of Procedure

Kelleher presented several concerns regarding the proposed new APC Rules of Procedure, including clarification of conflict of interest, Ex Parte communication, vacation of public right of way, removal for cause, training, notice requirements, suspension of rules, and amendments.

Horkay also expressed concern about the clarification of the section on conflict of interest.

Anderson and Zaiger will review this document to address these concerns.

After discussion, it was determined this item would be continued to the January 28 Advisory Plan Commission meeting.

Spoljaric asked Anderson to explain the PUD process.

Anderson explained the PUD process.

Appointment of APC Member to Board of Zoning Appeals

Kelleher moved to appoint Sanders as the APC/BZA appointment.

Spoljaric seconded, and the motion passed by voice vote.

Appointment of APC President

Emigh moved to appoint Bob Smith as President of the Advisory Plan Commission.

Kelleher seconded, and the motion passed by voice vote.

Appointment of APC Vice President

Sanders moved to appoint Spoljaric as the Vice President of the Advisory Plan Commission.

Kelleher seconded, and the motion passed by voice vote.

MISCELLANEOUS

Anderson explained the new time clocks which will time public speakers.

President Smith allowed the public to comment.

Mr. Dave Calino expressed concern about the lack of a public hearing at the workshop meetings.

Anderson responded to public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

President

Secretary